

Julie Angus



Julie Angus is an accomplished adventurer, scientist and bestselling author of *Rowboat in a Hurricane*, *Rowed Trip* and *Olive Odyssey*. She is the first woman to row across the Atlantic Ocean from mainland to mainland and a recipient of the National Geographic Adventurer of the Year award. She has also cycled across continents, rowed thousands of kilometers of coastlines and rivers, and organized a National Geographic expedition that sailed the ancient Phoenician trading routes to research the olive.

Explore Magazine listed her as one of North America's leading adventurers and in 2016 Canadian Geographic named her one of Canada's Greatest Women Explorers. She is a recipient of the McMaster University Arch Award and a Canadian Geographic Fellow. She is regularly seen on television shows such as Canada AM, CBC Sunday News and Daily Planet.

Julie Angus is a scientist with an B.Sc. from McMaster University in Psychology and Biology and an M.Sc. in Molecular Biology from the University of Victoria. She also studied at the University of Leeds in England. She spent a decade developing therapeutics for genetic ailments and cardiovascular disease as a researcher and in business development.

Julie has engaged in various entrepreneurial ventures and is currently the CEO and co-founder of Open Ocean Robotics, a marine drone company. She is also the co-founder of Angus Rowboats, a company that designs and manufactures robotically cut kits for rowboats and small sailboats.



OCSBOA 2026

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Date: September 23-25, 2026

Venue: White Oaks Conference Centre

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 23

2 PM-5PM



CHECK IN & REGISTRATION
HR COMMITTEE MEETING

6:30 PM - 9 PM

COCKTAILS AND APPETIZERS

THURSDAY, SEPT 24

8:00 AM - 8:30AM

OPENING OF CONFERENCE

8:30 AM - 9:15 AM

Presentation- Acclaim Ability

9:15 AM - 10:00 AM

Presentation - iSYS/SBCI

BREAK

10 :15 AM - 11:00 AM

Presentation -IRM & BLG

11:00 AM - 11: 30 PM

Presentation- Insignia

11:30 AM - 12:15 PM

Presentation - EBASE

1:15 PM - 2:30 PM

Keynote Speaker - Julie Angus

BREAK

2:45 PM - 3:30 PM

Presentation - Hicks Morley

3:30 PM - 4:30 PM

Presentation - CODE **HR STAFF ONLY**

Vendor Showcase for non HR staff

6 PM-11 PM

Banquet & Reception

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM

Annual General Meeting

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Presentation - CODE

10:00 AM- 10:45 AM

Presentation - Communication

10:45 AM- 11:45 AM

Presentation - HTS

11:45 AM - 12 PM

Leading Forward-Navigating Change with Purpose



PRESENTATION DETAILS

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

JULIE ANGUS

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BARGAINING UPDATES

**JOSEPH CULL
ANDREW GOLD
ALISON WARRIAN**

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WORKSHOP SESSIONS

Acclaim Ability

Building a Connected Mental Health Ecosystem

EBASE

Facility Rentals Module and School Cash Online

Hicks Morley

Violence in the Classroom

iSYS & School Board Cooperative

Non Occupational Illness and Injury

IRM and BLG

Employee Misconduct Investigations-Protecting the Board

Insignia

Exploring Insignia Software

CODE

*Who is code and what do we do?
Bargaining Update-HR Staff Only*

Lema Salaymeh

*Trust Me, I'm in Communications:
Reputation, Brand, and the Ripple Effect*